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1. This report is the international preliminary examination report, established by this International Preliminary Examining Authority under Article 35 and transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.
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International application No.

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Box No. I Basis of the report

1. With regard to the language, this report is based on the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

- ☐ This report is based on a translation from the original language into the following language _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:
- ☐ international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b))
 - ☐ publication of the international application (under Rule 12.4)
 - ☐ international preliminary examination (under Rules 55.2 and/or 55.3)

2. With regard to the elements of the international application, this report is based on *(replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report)*:

- ☒ the international application as originally filed/furnished
- ☐ the description:
- pages _____ as originally filed/furnished
- pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- ☐ the claims:
- pages _____ as originally filed/furnished
- pages* _____ as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19
- pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____
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- ☐ the drawings:
- pages _____ as originally filed/furnished
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- ☐ a sequence listing and/or any related table(s) – see Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing.

3. ☐ The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

- ☐ the description, pages _____
- ☐ the claims, Nos. _____
- ☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____
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- ☐ any table(s) related to the sequence listing (*specify*): _____

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- ☐ the description, pages _____
- ☐ the claims, Nos. _____
- ☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____
- ☐ the sequence listing (*specify*): _____
- ☐ any table(s) related to the sequence listing (*specify*): _____

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	<u>1-43</u>	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	<u>1-43</u>	YES
	Claims		NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	<u>1-43</u>	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Documents cited in the International Search Report:

D1: "Improving the performance of reliable transport protocols in mobile computing environments" by Caceres, R et al, Selected Areas in Communications, IEEE Journal on ,Volume: 13 ,Issue: 5 ,June 1995, Pages:850 - 857

D2: "Freeze-TCP: a true end-to-end TCP enhancement mechanism for mobile environments" by Goff, T et al, IEEE INFOCOM 2000, Volume: 3 , 26-30 March 2000,Pages:1537 - 1545

D3: WO 0197438 A

D4: LIN D et al: "TCP fast recovery strategies analysis and improvements" IEEE Infocom '98, pages 263-271 vol.1 1998, New york, USA

D5: Misra A et al: "The window distribution of idealized TCP congestion avoidance with variable packet loss" IEEE Infocom'99, pages 1564-1572, vol.3, 1999, Piscataway, NJ,USA

D6: EP 0991244 A

The invention defined in claims 1-43 is not disclosed by any of these documents.

The cited prior art differ from the clamed invention in that neither of the documents describe that during hand-over, the congestion control is changed to provide faster recovery rate for the allowable number of packets.

Therefore, the claimed invention is not obvious to a person skilled in the art.

Accordingly, the invention defined in claims 1-43 is novel and is considered to involve an inventive step. The invention is industrially applicable.